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Classified By: Ambassador Ronald L. Schlicher, reasons 1.4 B/D

¶1. (C) Summary: Total headcount of U.S. citizens received
in Cyprus as of 0800L July 26 was 11,635. 9,664 had departed
by 0800L on July 26, and one more commercial charter flight
is scheduled to depart July 26. 200 people spent the night
at the Fairgrounds, and 400 were there as of 0800L July 26.
End summary.

CONSULAR

¶2. (C) The following are consular updates:

 --Accounting of U.S. citizens who have arrived in Cyprus as
of 800(L) July 26:

  11 via helicopter July 16
  62 via helicopter and ship July 17
  37 via French-chartered ship July 18
  104 via helicopter July 18
  138 via Hoegh Norwegian ship July 19
  4 via Greek military ship July 19
  160 via helicopter (Beirut Air Bridge - BAB) July 19
  3 via HMS York July 19
  3 via Crete II July 19
  1054 via MV Orient Queen July 20
  3 via HMS Gloucester July 20
  27 via UN Serenade & IREA Petra July 20
  187 via helicopter (BAB) July 20
  100 via UN ship Serenade July 21
  1054 via USS Nashville July 21
  790 via Orient Queen July 21
  241 via helicopter (BAB) July 21
  1803 via USS Trenton July 22
  27 via Greek Ikaria July 22
  21 via MV Akioni July 22

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     1050 via USS Nashville July 22
     815 via Ramah July 22
     39 via helicopter 2108 July 22
     1005 via USS Whidbey July 23
     983 via Orient Queen July 23
     38 via helicopter July 23
     401 via USS Nashville July 24
     26 via helicopter July 24
     574 via Orient Queen July 24
     3  via Princess Marissa July 25
     5 via helicopter July 25
     7 via helicopter July 25
     129 via Ramah July 25
     36 via helicopter July 25
     281 via Vittoria M July 25
     198 via Orient Queen
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TOTAL: 11,417

--There were a total of 9,664 U.S.-assisted departures from Cyprus on U.S. charter flights as of 800L July 26. Post expects the arrival of one more ship July 26, and two more per day July 27 and July 28. Likewise, two charter departures per day are scheduled for July 26 and 27.

--Approximately 200 people (undocumented humanitarian cases and their relatives) spent the night at the Fairgrounds; by 800L, undocumented passengers from the Orient Queen brought this number to around 400.

--Fairgrounds now has 24-hour CONS staffing coverage.

MANAGEMENT

¶3. (U) MGT continues to focus on staffing issues and transitioning out of the Fairgrounds. New arrivals will be booked into hotels as soon as possible.

SECURITY

¶4. (C) Regional Security Office (RSO) has expanded security perimeter around the Fairgrounds, after five agitators, posing as Cypriot volunteers but believed to be Libyan nationals, nearly instigated a breakdown of order. RSO and our consul removed the agitators and were able to calm the crowd down.

¶5. (C) The increasing number of Class 1 hits indicates that individuals convicted of serious crimes, including rape, are among those sheltered at the Fairgrounds. We are working to shelter the most vulnerable (e.g., women with young children, some of whom have been at the Fairgrounds for five days) in hotels, while removing those who may pose a threat to others in separate hotels. Under our plan, once a case is adjudicated, individuals will leave hotels, with those favorably adjudicated traveling to the United States. CONS and MGT are coordinating closely on this plan.
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